

## PROJECT 8808

**TASK:** Utilizing a composite map of Lebanon and a detailed <sup>city</sup> map of Beirut, access, describe and determine the location of USMC LTC William Richard (Rich) Higgins abducted on (19 Feb 88) in a location about four miles south of Tyre.

COORDINATES 561191 / 517240

Requestor: DIA(DT) [DIA  Desk]

Counterterrorism

SG1J

Opened: 18 Feb 88

INTERIM Rpt: VERBAL/OPS Rpt <sup>NO MEMO</sup> 19 Feb 88 / 24 Feb <sup>88 memo</sup> Sam / <sup>NO MEMO</sup> 26 Feb <sup>88</sup> Sam  
28 Feb 88 / RPT 18 Mar.

FINAL RPT:

## EVALUATION: [VIDEOTAPE]

SESSION	VIEWER	DATE	METHOD	NOTE
1. ✓	079	18 Feb 88	WRV	
2. ✓	003	18 Feb 88	CRV	
3. ✓	011	18 Feb 88	CRV	
4. ✓	018	18 Feb 88	CRV	
5. ✓	095	18 Feb 88	CRV	
6. ✓	099	18 Feb 88	CRV	

East northeast

Search only

ADDITIONAL TASK: Determine role played by

SG1B

	SESSION	VIEWER	DATE	METHOD	NOTE
7.	<del>079</del> ✓ 0	079	23 Feb	CRV	<del>WRV</del> WRV
8.	✓ 0	095	22 Feb	CRV	
9.	✓	018	22 Feb	CRV	
10.	✓	011	23 Feb	CRV	
11.	✓	003	23 Feb	CRV	

ATTEMPT TO LOCATE III 25 Feb

12.	✓	079	25 Feb	WRV	079/007
13.	✓	011	24 Feb	CRV	011/018
14.	✓	018	25 Feb	CRV	003/099
15.	✓	003	26 Feb	CRV	003/099

ATTEMPT TO LOCATE IV 28 Feb.

16.		003	28 Feb	CRV	003/099
17.	✓	011	28 Feb	CRV	011/018
18.	✓	079	28 Feb	WRV	079/007
19.	✓	011	4 MAR	SOLO	(V) Zucchi and Salin
20.	✓	018 (4)	4 MAR	SOLO	
21.					

Phase VI RPV tape

21.	018	17 MAR 88	SOLO	
22.	003	17 MAR 88	CRV	2+
23.	011	17 MAR 88	SOLO	
24.	099	17 MAR 88	SOLO	
25.	079	17 MAR 88	WRV	
26.	079	14 Apr 88	WRV	#6

Phase VII

27.	079	28 Apr 88	WR	
28.	011	28 Apr 88	SOLO	
29.	018	28 Apr 88		
30.	003	28 Apr 88		
31.	095	29 Apr 88	-light	29 Apr 88 to DJ

Phase VIII Brum air

32.	079	5 May	WRV	
-----	-----	-------	-----	--

Phase IX (Health/Condition)

32.	099	17 May 88	SOLO	
33.	095	17 May 88	"	
34.	003	17 May 88	"	7
35.	011	17 May 88	"	8
36.	018	17 May 88	"	
37.	079	17 May 88	"	

Phase X Search

38.	018	18 May	CRV	
39.	003	18 May	CRV	
40.	079	19 May	WRV	
41.	011	19 May		
42.	095	19 May		
43.	003	21 May	PHASE XI	88
44.	079	21 May	Describe	10
45.	011	21 May	Vehicle	10
46.				
47.	099	21 May	Search	67

XII

48.	✓	079	2 Jun 88	WRV	11 (11)
49.	✓	095	6 Jun 88	ERV - Search	(6)
50.	✓	011	7 Jun 88	ERV - Search	(11)
51.	✓	079	8 Jun 88	WRV	
52.	✓	079	14 Jun 88	WRV	
53.	✓	079	24 Jun 88	WRV	(14)
54.	✓	011	24 Jun 88	ERV	(12)
55.	✓	079	30 Jun	WRV	15
56.	✓	079	6 July	WRV	(16)
57.	✓	079	7 July	WRV	17
58.	✓	079	15 July	WRV	(18)
59.	✓	079	19 July	WRV	(19)
60.	✓	079	27 July	WRV	20
61.	✓	079	2 Aug 88	WRV	(21)
62.	✓	079	4 Aug 88	WRV	(22)
63.	✓	018	8 Aug 88	SOLO	(8)
64.	✓	079	9 Aug 88	WR	X(25)
65.	SG1B ✓	011	9 Aug 88	SOLO	(13)

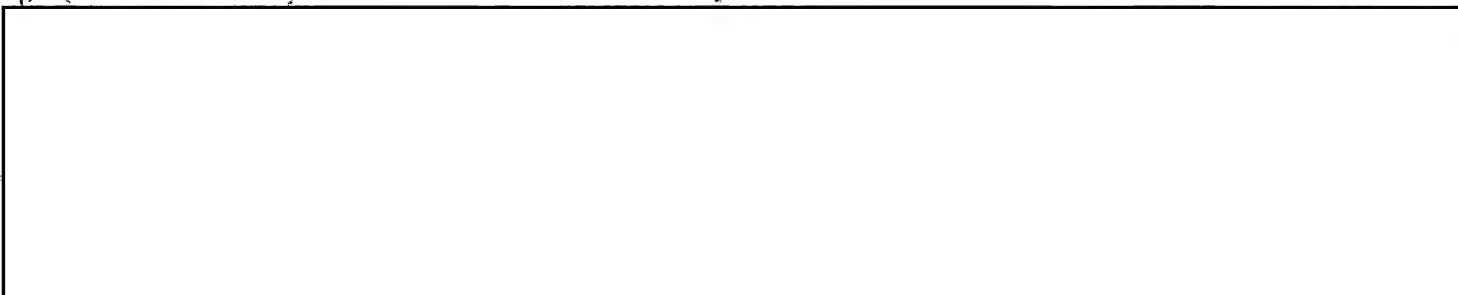
XIII

1 SFO 8-2

66. ✓ 079  
67. ✓ 079

16 Aug 88  
18 Aug 88

WRV  
WRV (21)



SG1B

68. ✓ 079

23 Aug 88

WRV

69. ✓ 079

24 Aug 88

WRV

70. ✓ 079

26 Aug 88

WRV

71. ✓ 079

6 Sep 88

"

72. ✓ 079

16 Sep 88

"

73. ✓ 079

21 Sep 88

WRV

74. ✓ 079

29 Sep 88

WRV

75. ✓ 079

4 Oct 88

WRV

76. ✓ 079

7 Oct 88

WRV

77. ✓ 079

10 Oct 88

WRV

78. ✓ 079

26 Oct 88

WRV

79. ✓ 079

25 Oct 88

WRV

80. ✓ 079

1 Nov 88

WRV

81. ✓ 079

8 Nov 88

"

82. ✓ 079

1 Dec 88

"

83. ✓ 079

8 Dec 88

WRV

84. ✓ 079

15 Dec 88

WRV

85. ✓ 079

16 Dec 88

WRV

86. 079

3 Jan 89

WRV

87. 079

12 Jan 89

WRV

88. 079

18 Jan 89

WRV

8808 TASK 25 Jan 89 (8908 DT-1)

Op Marine LTC M. William Ruck / Higgins  
alive or dead

88 011

25 JAN 89

SOLO

89 018

26 Jan 89

SOLO

90 025

26 Jan 89

WRV

91 032

27 Jan 89

WRV

92. 003

30 Jan 89

SOLO

Dead

93.	✓	079	2 Feb 89	WRV
94.	✓	079	9 Feb 89	"
95.	✓	079	15 Feb 89	"
96.	✓	079	17 Feb 89	"
97.	✓	079	15 Mar 89	WRV
98	✓	079	22 Mar 89	✓
99.		079	29 Mar 89	W
100.	✓	079	17 Apr 89	W
101	✓	079	26 Apr 89	
102	✓	079	16 May 89	W
103	✓	079	6 Jun 89	✓
104	✓	079	21 Jun 89	W
105	✓	079	29 Jun 89	W
106	✓	079	12 Jul 89	W
107	✓	079	2 Aug 89	Solo
108.	✓	079	3 Aug 89	Solo
109	✓	079	8 Aug 89	WRV
110	✓	025	3 Aug 89	Solo
111	✓	011	2 Aug 89	Solo
112	✓	018	9 Aug 89	Solo
113	✓	018	11 Aug 89	Solo

BACKGROUND: On 17 Feb 1988 USMC LTC William (Rick) Higgins was abducted by Lebanese affiliates of Hezbollah in the small town of Ras-El-Ein, located south of Tyre, Lebanon. Higgins was returning to Nagurdah located south of Tyre, and headquarters of the UN peace-keeping force, the UN Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO).

Requestor: DIA (DB-5C)

Coordinates:

Essential Elements of Information (EEI):

SG1B

FORM

8-12-88

- ✓ ① Be sure ref's are on  
CUSTOMER  
all Summaries  
→ Date of INFO  
- Viewer # + Session  
(or equivalent)

② the retro cog Task.

- ~~any results used~~
- where there any indications  
of the pending HUSING  
abduction prior to the  
event?
- nature / type / where / who
- How far in advance?
- who / where?

✓ ③ Backfill +  
Yocto or all is data - - it records